

RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT Address to: Mail Stop Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Docket No.	UCAL-243
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Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Election Requirement dated September 22, 2006.

The Examiner required an election of a **compound species**. In response **applicants elect quinacrine** which is a species specifically claimed within claim 5 with the specific quinacrine structure shown within claim 4.

It is applicants position that the generic claims such as claim 1 should be examined if after examining the elected species quinacrine such is found allowable the generic claims should be found allowable.

The election of species requirement also required applicants to **elect a single disease**. Specific diseases are listed within claims such as claim 9. **Applicants elect prion diseases** which are diseases associated with the insoluble protein PrP^{Sc}. As indicated above applicants request examination of the broader generic claims such as claim 1 which encompass treating any disease resulting from a malformed protein. If the claimed invention is found allowable with respect to the elected species of prion diseases the Examiner should continue the search and if other diseases are not found the generic claim encompassing all of the species should be indicated as allowable.

Applicants reserve the right to file continuation and divisional applications directed to any invention disclosed in this application which may not be encompassed by the elected group of claims or the elected species.


The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number UCAL-243.

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